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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of Mr. Tidal W. McCoy of the National Security Council Staff

of the National Security Council Staff was briefed on 4 June by the D/CRS, DD/CRS and other CRS personnel in the Information Services Group on the CRS biographic program. Mr. McCoy had previously received briefings on the biographic programs in NSA and DIA.
2. Mr. McCoy was interested in how CRS could improve its biographic product in support of the NSC Staff, the status of CRS biographic relations with State, NSA and DIA, and if CRS had given any thought to the preparation of studies on the decisionmaking process in foreign ministries and other key governmental departments. He indicated that NSC staff members were especially interested in assessment-type information rather than straight recording of curriculum vitae information. CRS programs for acquiring these data were described but it was pointed out to Mr. McCoy how difficult it is for CRS to get this assessment-type information from its customers.

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- 4. At Mr. McCoy's request, CRS is sending the following items for his study:
  - a. The CRS Study of the Biographic Program, dated October 1972. SECRET
  - b. A reprint of the article on "Biographic Collection Programs" by Studies in Intelligence, Summer 1969. SECRET

c. The April 1973 edition of the CRS Directory.

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